FISCAL NOTE

SB 2111 - HB 2413

January 23, 2004

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes the Health Related Boards and the Regulatory Boards of the Department of Commerce and Insurance to conduct criminal background checks on applicants for licensure or certification. The applicant will pay the cost of the background checks. Each regulatory board, council, committee or other government entity shall have authority to establish, promulgate rules and regulations, procedures and criteria for requiring and obtaining criminal background checks for its applicants. Criminal background checks shall include finger print checks against state and federal records maintained by the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation and the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Exceeds \$4,000,000/Permissive Increase State Revenues - Exceeds \$4,000,000/Permissive

Estimate assumes the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation will receive a fee of \$40.00 for each applicant to provide this service and \$24.00 of the fee will be remitted to the FBI for record checks. There are in excess of 200,000 licensees who could be required to have criminal background checks under the provisions of the bill.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director